

**Hurricane Harvey Response 2017  
Community Liaison (CL) Report**

**TO: Janetta Coats**

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**SUBJECT: Outreach Effort**

**COUNTY: Wharton**

**DATE: 9/12/2017**

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**Due: Daily 4:00 pm (DRC is open until 6:00 pm so we will have to report the next morning unless we have internet access)**

**SUMMARY:**

**The contractor is starting to remove large debris piles at the street in front of homes. Schools are reopening.**

**We met with the Emergency Management Coordinator for the County. They appreciated having the fact sheets and requested more. They think the fact sheets will be very helpful and offered to place fact sheets on their website and/or reproduce paper copies for their residents. We sent electronic copies when we were back at the lab.**

**We visited the Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) that was just opened and met with the FEMA official in charge. He agreed that we could setup a table and distribute information to the public in the DRC.**

**QUESTIONS/COMMENTS**

**Can we have a small folding table, 4 folding chairs to take to the Disaster Recovery Center so we can display and discuss the information with others?**

**To report the same day by 4:00 pm, can we have a mobile wi-fi hotspot so we can complete our report in the field?**

## **COMMUNITY CONCERNS**

**Large mixed debris piles are located in front of homes. County officials and contractors have instructed residents in how to sort debris and remove potential household hazardous waste, white goods, etc.. When driving through we viewed some debris piles and they appear to have been sorted.**









